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**Preface:** *In this Study we will focus on the Sovereignty of God. Sovereign means according to the 1913 Webster Dictionary the following {"Sov'er-eign ..superus that is above, upper, higher, fr. super above. See Over, Super, and cf. Soprano. The modern spelling is due to a supposed connection with reign.} 1. Supreme or highest in power; superior to all others; chief; as, our sovereign prince.*

*2. Independent of, and unlimited by, any other; possessing, or entitled to, original authority or jurisdiction; as, a sovereign state; a sovereign discretion....."} In a article I wrote some years back I defined Sovereignty as absolute right to do all things according to his or her pleasure, in short to do what you want without any hindrance. In the United States we don't see a Sovereign which was a king or queen that did not have to give a acount to no one what they desire to do . Here in the United States we have a Supreme Court who can overrule any of the Presidents commands . But it wasn't aways like that in*

*ancient times.*

*Things that often comes to mind as we ponder on the topic of God's Sovereignty is the following:*

*Is there any Limits to What God controls? Is my freewill respected by God? What does it mean that God controls everything that comes to pass? Are we mere puppets or robots in God's plans? Do We have a freewill? Does our will moves toward God's purpose in ways we do not understand? Do God's Sovereignty effects his attributes? And if so in what way? These are questions that so often comes to mind as we ponder on the topic on God's sovereignty. I once heard a testimony of a young lady who read the Bible and she told her pastor after reading the Bible that she hated God . In response her pastor told her " read the Bible again but this time not for the purpose of putting your view in it but for the purpose of getting to know God" So She read the Bible again as her pastor stated and the result was that she came back to her pastor telling him she was now in love with the person of God. And it is my hope the same can be said with the person who reads this volume.*

### Chapter 01 God is Sovereign

*The Scripture is all together clear on the fact that God is sovereign. Old and New Testament alike, we see God as the one who created all, owns all, and controls all. He is not dependent on humans or the things around him although he uses them to accomplish his will . Here is just a few of many passages that shows that he is in control of everything and nothing happens by chance*

*(Psalms 50:9-12) I will not take a bull from your house, Nor goats out of your folds. For every beast of the forest is Mine, And the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the mountains, And the wild beasts of the field are Mine. "If I were hungry, I would not tell you; For the world is Mine, and all its fullness. (NKJV)*

*(Isaiah 46:10-11) Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, 'My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure,' Calling a bird of prey from the east, The man who executes My counsel, from a far country. Indeed I have spoken it; I will also bring it to pass. I have purposed it; I will also do it. (NKJV)*

*(Daniel 4:34-35) And at the end of the time I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my understanding returned to me; and I blessed the Most High and praised and honored Him who lives forever: For His dominion is an everlasting dominion, And His*

kingdom is from generation to generation. All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He does according to His will in the army of heaven And among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand Or say to Him, "What have You done?" (NKJV)

(Matthew 20:14-15) 'Take what is yours and go your way. I wish to give to this last man the same as to you. 'Is it not lawful for me to do what I wish with my own things? Or is your eye evil because I am good?' (NKJV)

(Acts 4:24-28) So when they heard that, they raised their voice to God with one accord and said: "Lord, You are God, who made heaven and earth and the sea, and all that is in them, "who by the mouth of Your servant David have said: 'Why did the nations rage, And the people plot vain things? The kings of the earth took their stand, And the rulers were gathered together Against the LORD and against His Christ.' "For truly against Your holy Servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel, were gathered together "to do whatever Your hand and Your purpose determined before to be done. (NKJV)

(Romans 9:18-24) Therefore He has mercy on whom He wills, and whom He wills He hardens. You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who has resisted His will?" But indeed, O man, who are you to reply against God? Will the thing formed say to him who formed it, "Why have you made me like this?" Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor? What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory, even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? (NKJV)

## **Chapter 02 God is Sovereign over the animals & insects**

*I think as a starter and something that most of us can agree on is the fact that God controls the animals of this world. And this is plain in the scriptures.*

**God sends the animals to Adam so he can name each one of them.**

(Genesis 2:18-19) And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." Out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name.

(NKJV)

**God also sends the Animals and insects to Noah to keep them alive through the flood**

(Genesis 6:19-20) "And of every living thing of all flesh you shall bring two of every sort into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. "Of the birds after their kind, of animals after their kind, and of every creeping thing of the earth after its kind, two of every kind will come to you to keep them alive. (NKJV)

(Genesis 7:9) two by two they went into the ark to Noah, male and female, as God had commanded Noah. (NKJV)

***We can see a wide range of verses that the birds of the air are ready to execute God's command.***

***For example: God commanded ravens to feed Elijah and they did.***

(1 Kings 17:3-6) "Get away from here and turn eastward, and hide by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. "And it will be that you shall drink from the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there." So he went and did according to the word of the LORD, for he went and stayed by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening; and he drank from the brook. (NKJV)

**Sparrows falls to the ground according to God's will**

Mt 10:29 "Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will.(NKJV)

***God commanded a sea monster or somekind of whale or fish to swallow Jonah when he was thrown out of the Ship. And he also commanded it to vomit Jonah on dry ground.***

(Jonah 1:15-17) So they picked up Jonah and threw him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice to the LORD and took vows. Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights. (NKJV)

(Jonah 2:10) So the LORD spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land. (NKJV)

***We also see at Jesus comand, a fish paying for Jesus and Peter's Temple taxes.***

(Matthew 17:24-27) When they had come to Capernaum, those who received the temple tax came to Peter and said, "Does your Teacher not pay the temple tax?" He said, "Yes." And when he had come into the house, Jesus anticipated him, saying, "What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth take customs or taxes, from their sons or from strangers?" Peter said to Him, "From strangers." Jesus said to him, "Then the sons are free. "Nevertheless, lest we offend them, go to the sea, cast in a hook, and take the fish that comes up first. And when you have opened its mouth, you will find a piece of money; take that and give it to them for Me and you." (NKJV)

***At God's command two bears killed a group of 42 youths who was mocking at Elisha for having a bald head.***

(2 Kings 2:23-24) Then he went up from there to Bethel; and as he was going up the road, some youths came from the city and mocked him, and said to him, "Go up, you baldhead! Go up, you baldhead!" So he turned around and looked at them, and pronounced a curse on them in the name of the LORD. And two female bears came out of the woods and mauled forty-two of the youths. (NKJV)

***Story of Daniel in the Lion's Den is a great example of God's Sovereignty over animals of Prey, we see in it God's Sovereignty to shut the mouth of the lions so they won't hurt Daniel but not so with Daniel's accusers.***

***Lions mouths are shut at God's command***

(Daniel 6:16-23) So the king gave the command, and they brought Daniel and cast him into the den of lions. But the king spoke, saying to Daniel, "Your God, whom you serve continually, He will deliver you." Then a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signets of his lords, that the purpose concerning Daniel might not be changed. Now the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; and no musicians were brought before him. Also his sleep went from him. Then the king arose very early in the morning and went in haste to the den of lions. And when he came to the den, he cried out with a lamenting voice to Daniel. The king spoke, saying to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?" Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever! "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you." Then the king was exceedingly glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no injury whatever was found on him, because he believed

in his God. (NKJV)

***Lions kill Daniel's Enemies at God's command***

(Daniel 6:24) And the king gave the command, and they brought those men who had accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions-them, their children, and their wives; and the lions overpowered them, and broke all their bones in pieces before they ever came to the bottom of the den. (NKJV)

***God opens the mouth of a Donkey so she could speak to defend herself from Balaam who was hurting her .***

(Numbers 22:28-30) Then the LORD opened the mouth of the donkey, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you, that you have struck me these three times?" And Balaam said to the donkey, "Because you have abused me. I wish there were a sword in my hand, for now I would kill you!" So the donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your donkey on which you have ridden, ever since I became yours, to this day? Was I ever disposed to do this to you?" And he said, "No." (NKJV)

***We can also Look at the insects, God controls Insects is seen in the plague of the flies on the Egyptians.***

(Exodus 8:20-24) And the LORD said to Moses, "Rise early in the morning and stand before Pharaoh as he comes out to the water. Then say to him, 'Thus says the LORD: "Let My people go, that they may serve Me. "Or else, if you will not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies on you and your servants, on your people and into your houses. The houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground on which they stand. "And in that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there, in order that you may know that I am the LORD in the midst of the land. "I will make a difference between My people and your people. Tomorrow this sign shall be.'"" And the LORD did so. Thick swarms of flies came into the house of Pharaoh, into his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt. The land was corrupted because of the swarms of flies. (NKJV)

***Which also one can see in the plague of Locust which was sent towards the vegetation of the Egyptian farmers .***

(Exodus 10:3-5) So Moses and Aaron came in to Pharaoh and said to him, "Thus says the LORD God of the Hebrews: 'How long will you refuse to humble yourself before Me? Let My people go, that they may serve Me. 'Or else, if you refuse to let My people go,



behold, tomorrow I will bring locusts into your territory. 'And they shall cover the face of the earth, so that no one will be able to see the earth; and they shall eat the residue of what is left, which remains to you from the hail, and they shall eat every tree which grows up for you out of the field. (NKJV)

(Exodus 10:12-14) Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land-all that the hail has left." So Moses stretched out his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an east wind on the land all that day and all that night. When it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt and rested on all the territory of Egypt. They were very severe; previously there had been no such locusts as they, nor shall there be such after them. (NKJV)

***And we can surely see time and time again in the scriptures of God's complete control in the animal and insects world.***

### **Chapter 03 God is Sovereign over the angels and demons**

Now let's look at the spiritual world of Angels and Demons and see if God controls them? And the answer is yes he does control them.

#### **God is sovereign over Angels**

**It is very plain in scripture that angels in heaven are obedient to the will of God for example this can be seen in Psalms 103**

(Psalms 103:20-21) Bless the LORD, you His angels, Who excel in strength, who do His word, Heeding the voice of His word. Bless the LORD, all you His hosts, You ministers of His, who do His pleasure. (NKJV)

**We are told by Peter that angels and demons are subjected to Jesus**

(1 Peter 3:21-22) .... Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him. (NKJV)

**In the Book of Revelation a Angel tells John that He is a servant of God, doing what is commanded of him by God**

(Revelation 22:8-9) Now I, John, saw and heard these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel who showed me these things. Then



he said to me, "See that you do not do that. For I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren the prophets, and of those who keep the words of this book. Worship God." (NKJV)

**In the Lord's prayer we see that in heaven the will of God is always done by them**

(Matthew 6:10) Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. (NKJV)

**God can sends them for a task and they never object. Because they are his servants .**

**Angels are sent by God to protect his people from harm**

(Psalms 91:11-12) For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. (NKJV)

***They are also in many ways sent to serve us whether in this life or the next***

(Hebrews 1:13-14) But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool"? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? (NKJV)

***God sent a angel to protect Daniel by shutting the mouth of the Lions***

(Daniel 6:21-22) Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever! "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you." (NKJV)

***Jesus said that the Father would send him 12 legions of angels at his command if he just ask him. A legion is 4,000 to 6,000 in number, so Jesus if he wanted would of had 72,000 angels to protect him from being crucified .***

Mt 26:53 "Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels?

**And one angel alone is enough to kill 185,000 soliders.**

(Isaiah 37:36) Then the angel of the LORD went out, and killed in the camp of the Assyrians one hundred and eighty-five thousand; and when people arose early in the morning, there were the corpses-all dead. (NKJV)

***At God sovereign command he decided to have some angels on a firmer ground than***

***others for we read of angels falling after Satan and others who are called elect who did not fell.***

(1 Timothy 5:21) I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels that you observe these things without prejudice, doing nothing with partiality. (NKJV)

(Revelation 12:3-4) And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. (NKJV)

### **Stars in Scriptures at times can be a reference to angels**

(Revelation 1:20) "The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches. (NKJV)

### **God is sovereign over demons**

**This maybe a little hard to swallow but it is true, demons are also obedient to God and his commands according to the scripture as we read in 1 Peter . In 1 Samuel we see a demon sent by God to torment king Saul.**

(1 Samuel 16:14-16) But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and a distressing spirit from the LORD troubled him. And Saul's servants said to him, "Surely, a distressing spirit from God is troubling you. "Let our master now command your servants, who are before you, to seek out a man who is a skillful player on the harp; and it shall be that he will play it with his hand when the distressing spirit from God is upon you, and you shall be well." (NKJV)

(1 Samuel 16:23) And so it was, whenever the spirit from God was upon Saul, that David would take a harp and play it with his hand. Then Saul would become refreshed and well, and the distressing spirit would depart from him. (NKJV)

(1 Samuel 18:10) And it happened on the next day that the distressing spirit from God came upon Saul, and he prophesied inside the house. So David played music with his hand, as at other times; but there was a spear in Saul's hand. (NKJV)

(1 Samuel 19:9) Now the distressing spirit from the LORD came upon Saul as he sat in

his house with his spear in his hand. And David was playing music with his hand. (NKJV)

### **Demons tremble at thought of God**

James 2:19 You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe-- and tremble!

**Demons begged Jesus not to send them out of the country to the Bottomless pit but to send them into 2,000 pigs that was some distance away and Jesus did.**

(Matthew 8:30-33) Now a good way off from them there was a herd of many swine feeding. So the demons begged Him, saying, "If You cast us out, permit us to go away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So when they had come out, they went into the herd of swine. And suddenly the whole herd of swine ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and perished in the water. Then those who kept them fled; and they went away into the city and told everything, including what had happened to the demon-possessed men. (NKJV)

(Mark 5:10-13) Also he begged Him earnestly that He would not send them out of the country. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there near the mountains. So all the demons begged Him, saying, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter them." And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and drowned in the sea. (NKJV)

(Luke 8:30-34) Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. (NKJV)

**Here in this passage we see that demons prayed to Jesus , And Jesus answered their prayer as only a sovereign has that authority . Jesus as God and creator of the angels and demons is sovereign over angels and demons.**

(Colossians 1:16-17) For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers.

All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. (NKJV)

### **God is sovereign over Satan**

***I once heard a so call woman Pastor state in the pulpit that God had a purpose for her son but the devil ruin God's plans and had her son commit suicide. Get this , No devil , demon or any created thing can ruin God's plan according to the scriptures. The Bible states***

(Isaiah 14:27) For the LORD of hosts has purposed, And who will annul it? His hand is stretched out, And who will turn it back?" (NKJV)

(Isaiah 43:13) Indeed before the day was, I am He; And there is no one who can deliver out of My hand; I work, and who will reverse it?" (NKJV)

(Daniel 4:35) All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He does according to His will in the army of heaven And among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand Or say to Him, "What have You done?" (NKJV)

***Many people see the devil as God's equal when the devil is created by God and can in no way be his equal or hinder his purpose. God has no equal.***

### ***Although Demons are under Satan's authority***

Matthew 25:41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:' (NKJV)

(Revelation 12:7-9) And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. (NKJV)

***God's authority is over both Satan and the demons as we will soon see. Yes we saw God control over the demons but what about their leader Satan , Does God control him? And the Answer is Yes.***

### ***Satan is our enemy***

(1 Peter 5:8) Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a

roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. (NKJV)

**But he is God's puppet. God uses Satan in many ways for example to stir David to number Israel so God could punish Israel.**

(2 Samuel 24:1-2) Again the anger of the LORD was aroused against Israel, and He moved David against them to say, "Go, number Israel and Judah." So the king said to Joab the commander of the army who was with him, "Now go throughout all the tribes of Israel, from Dan to Beersheba, and count the people, that I may know the number of the people." (NKJV)

(1 Chronicles 21:1-2) Now Satan stood up against Israel, and moved David to number Israel. So David said to Joab and to the leaders of the people, "Go, number Israel from Beersheba to Dan, and bring the number of them to me that I may know it." (NKJV)

**For Satan to do something he would have to ask God's permission on the matter as we see it in the case of Job and Peter .**

(Job 1:6-12) Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. And the LORD said to Satan, "From where do you come?" So Satan answered the LORD and said, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it." Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?" So Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing? "Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. "But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!" And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person." So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD. (NKJV)

(Job 1:1-6) There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was blameless and upright, and one who feared God and shunned evil. And seven sons and three daughters were born to him. Also, his possessions were seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a very large household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East. And his sons would go and feast in their houses, each on his appointed day, and would send and invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. So it was, when the days of feasting had run their course, that Job would send and sanctify them, and he would

rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all. For Job said, "It may be that my sons have sinned and cursed God in their hearts." Thus Job did regularly. Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. (NKJV)

(Luke 22:31) And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. (NKJV)

**God had Satan send one of his demons to torment Paul as a means of keeping Paul humble .**

(2 Corinthians 12:7) And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. (NKJV)

#### Chapter 04 God is sovereign over Diseases

**Diseases can be caused by demons although not every disease I believe to be a demon but many are as we see in the following verses**

(Luke 13:11-16) And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day." The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? "So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound--think of it--for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" (NKJV)

Mark 9:17 Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit.

Mr 9:25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!"(NKJV)

Luke 11:14 ¶ And He was casting out a demon, and it was mute. So it was, when the

demon had gone out, that the mute spoke; and the multitudes marveled. (NKJV)

**But the one who sends these Demons of disease out is God for his purpose? It is God. He is the one who give the diseases. And he admits it and the Bible says it.**

(Exodus 15:26) and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you." (NKJV)

(Numbers 12:5-14) Then the LORD came down in the pillar of cloud and stood in the door of the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam. And they both went forward. Then He said, "Hear now My words: If there is a prophet among you, I, the LORD, make Myself known to him in a vision; I speak to him in a dream. Not so with My servant Moses; He is faithful in all My house. I speak with him face to face, Even plainly, and not in dark sayings; And he sees the form of the LORD. Why then were you not afraid To speak against My servant Moses?" So the anger of the LORD was aroused against them, and He departed. And when the cloud departed from above the tabernacle, suddenly Miriam became leprous, as white as snow. Then Aaron turned toward Miriam, and there she was, a leper. So Aaron said to Moses, "Oh, my lord! Please do not lay this sin on us, in which we have done foolishly and in which we have sinned. "Please do not let her be as one dead, whose flesh is half consumed when he comes out of his mother's womb!" So Moses cried out to the LORD, saying, "Please heal her, O God, I pray!" Then the LORD said to Moses, "If her father had but spit in her face, would she not be shamed seven days? Let her be shut out of the camp seven days, and afterward she may be received again." (NKJV)

(Leviticus 14:34) "When you have come into the land of Canaan, which I give you as a possession, and I put the leprous plague in a house in the land of your possession, (NKJV)

(Deuteronomy 28:27-28) "The LORD will strike you with the boils of Egypt, with tumors, with the scab, and with the itch, from which you cannot be healed. "The LORD will strike you with madness and blindness and confusion of heart. (NKJV)

(Deuteronomy 28:60) "Moreover He will bring back on you all the diseases of Egypt, of which you were afraid, and they shall cling to you. (NKJV)

(1 Samuel 5:6) But the hand of the LORD was heavy on the people of Ashdod, and He



ravaged them and struck them with tumors, both Ashdod and its territory. (NKJV)

(2 Chronicles 21:18-19) After all this the LORD struck him in his intestines with an incurable disease. Then it happened in the course of time, after the end of two years, that his intestines came out because of his sickness; so he died in severe pain. And his people made no burning for him, like the burning for his fathers. (NKJV)

(Isaiah 3:17) Therefore the Lord will strike with a scab The crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, And the LORD will uncover their secret parts." (NKJV)

***By these passages it is very clear that disease comes as judgement from God but also as a means of God to be glorified in them .***

(John 9:1-3) Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. (NKJV)

***God is also sovereign in healing those who he gives the diseases to , this something which can't be taken lightly. There are many verses in scripture where we see God as our healer.***

(Deuteronomy 32:39) 'Now see that I, even I, am He, And there is no God besides Me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; Nor is there any who can deliver from My hand. (NKJV)

(Job 5:18) For He bruises, but He binds up; He wounds, but His hands make whole. (NKJV)

(Psalms 103:2-3) Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, (NKJV)

(Isaiah 30:26) Moreover the light of the moon will be as the light of the sun, And the light of the sun will be sevenfold, As the light of seven days, In the day that the LORD binds up the bruise of His people And heals the stroke of their wound. (NKJV)

(Isaiah 53:5) But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. (NKJV)

(Hosea 6:1) Come, and let us return to the LORD; For He has torn, but He will heal us;

He has stricken, but He will bind us up. (NKJV)

(Matthew 8:16-17) When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses." (NKJV)

## **Chapter 05 God is sovereign over the prophets whether False Prophets or real ones**

***A Prophet is someone who speaks in the behalf of God. Sometimes it is to pronounce a woe or to console, at other times it is to tell of a future event that will take place. It is certain if the prophet is sent by God he is the one who controls them. In matter of fact it is impossible for a prophet to hold back the word of God when God wants it sent as we see in the case of David, Elihu & Jeremiah.***

(Job 32:18-20) For I am full of words; The spirit within me compels me. Indeed my belly is like wine that has no vent; It is ready to burst like new wineskins. I will speak, that I may find relief; I must open my lips and answer. (NKJV)

(Psalms 39:1-3) <<To the Chief Musician. To Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.>> I said, "I will guard my ways, Lest I sin with my tongue; I will restrain my mouth with a muzzle, While the wicked are before me." I was mute with silence, I held my peace even from good; And my sorrow was stirred up. My heart was hot within me; While I was musing, the fire burned. Then I spoke with my tongue: (NKJV)

(Jeremiah 20:9) Then I said, "I will not make mention of Him, Nor speak anymore in His name." But His word was in my heart like a burning fire Shut up in my bones; I was weary of holding it back, And I could not. (NKJV)

***And if God allows him to hold it back that prophet will be held accountable to him for that***

(Ezekiel 3:18-20) "When I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. "Yet, if you warn the wicked, and he does not turn from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. "Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require

at your hand. (NKJV)

***God speaks through the Prophet.***

Acts 3:18 "But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled.

Romans 1:2 which He promised before through His prophets in the Holy Scriptures, (NKJV)

(Hebrews 1:1) God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, (NKJV)

***Now you may ask what about the false prophets are they also sent by God? Those who speak lies in the name of God, are they sent by God? I would like to say no , but that is not what the scripture teaches, God is also sovereign over them aswell.***

**God is sovereign over the false prophets**

(Deuteronomy 13:1-3) "If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams, and he gives you a sign or a wonder, "and the sign or the wonder comes to pass, of which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods' -which you have not known-'and let us serve them,' "you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. (NKJV)

(1 Kings 22:19-23) Then Micaiah said, "Therefore hear the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing by, on His right hand and on His left. "And the LORD said, 'Who will persuade Ahab to go up, that he may fall at Ramoth Gilead?' So one spoke in this manner, and another spoke in that manner. "Then a spirit came forward and stood before the LORD, and said, 'I will persuade him.' "The LORD said to him, 'In what way?' So he said, 'I will go out and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.' And the LORD said, 'You shall persuade him, and also prevail. Go out and do so.' "Therefore look! The LORD has put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these prophets of yours, and the LORD has declared disaster against you." (NKJV)

(Jeremiah 4:10) Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Surely You have greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, Saying, 'You shall have peace,' Whereas the sword reaches to the heart." (NKJV)

(Jeremiah 14:13) Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, the prophets say to them, 'You

shall not see the sword, nor shall you have famine, but I will give you assured peace in this place.'" (NKJV)

(Ezekiel 14:9) "And if the prophet is induced to speak anything, I the LORD have induced that prophet, and I will stretch out My hand against him and destroy him from among My people Israel. (NKJV)

### **Chapter 06 God is sovereign over the Kings of the Earth**

***God is sovereign over the Kings, whether good or evil ones they all come from God. And are controled by God to do his will.***

Proverbs 21:1 ¶ The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, Like the rivers of water; He turns it wherever He wishes.(NKJV)

(Daniel 2:21) And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise And knowledge to those who have understanding. (NKJV)

(Daniel 4:25-26) They shall drive you from men, your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make you eat grass like oxen. They shall wet you with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He chooses. And inasmuch as they gave the command to leave the stump and roots of the tree, your kingdom shall be assured to you, after you come to know that Heaven rules. (NKJV)

(Romans 13:1-6) Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God. Therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. For he is God's minister to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God's minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil. Therefore you must be subject, not only because of wrath but also for conscience' sake. For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are God's ministers attending continually to this very thing. (NKJV)

### **Evil Kings are God's servant**

***When Paul wrote Romans 13 Nero was King at that time . Nero was so bad that he was the one who would had Paul and Peter killed. He also burned Rome and blamed it***

***on the Christians. Yet he was God's servant. Because Evil Kings aswell are ordain by God as we will see. Are we to obey them in everything? No , We are to obey them in things that are right with God but with those things that cause us to sin against conscience and God we are not to obey them . A Good example of that can be seen in Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego where they purposely disobeyed the King because he wanted them to worship a false god.***

(Daniel 3:14-18) Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the gold image which I have set up? "Now if you are ready at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, and you fall down and worship the image which I have made, good! But if you do not worship, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. And who is the god who will deliver you from my hands?" Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. "If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. "But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up." (NKJV)

***When reading this, I can not stop but to think of this following verse***

Isaiah 43:2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you. (NKJV)

**Evil Kings are called God's servants example of this can be seen in the King of Babylon and Assyria .**

(Jeremiah 25:9) 'behold, I will send and take all the families of the north,' says the LORD, 'and Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant, and will bring them against this land, against its inhabitants, and against these nations all around, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, a hissing, and perpetual desolations. (NKJV)

(Jeremiah 27:6) 'And now I have given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant; and the beasts of the field I have also given him to serve him. (NKJV)

(Isaiah 10:5-6) "Woe to Assyria, the rod of My anger And the staff in whose hand is My

indignation. I will send him against an ungodly nation, And against the people of My wrath I will give him charge, To seize the spoil, to take the prey, And to tread them down like the mire of the streets. (NKJV)

**This is even seen in Revelation where we see that those that will rule with AntiChrist ,God would put them at odds with Mystery Babylon for the purpose of destroying her.**

(Revelation 17:16-17) "And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, these will hate the harlot, make her desolate and naked, eat her flesh and burn her with fire. "For God has put it into their hearts to fulfill His purpose, to be of one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God are fulfilled. (NKJV)

### **Chapter 07 God is sovereign over the rich and poor**

***God is the maker of both the rich and the poor and as their maker he is sovereign over them for his purposes.***

(Deuteronomy 8:17-18) "then you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gained me this wealth.' "And you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day. (NKJV)

(1 Samuel 2:7-8) The LORD makes poor and makes rich; He brings low and lifts up. He raises the poor from the dust And lifts the beggar from the ash heap, To set them among princes And make them inherit the throne of glory. "For the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, And He has set the world upon them. (NKJV)

(Job 5:11) He sets on high those who are lowly, And those who mourn are lifted to safety. (NKJV)

(Job 34:19) Yet He is not partial to princes, Nor does He regard the rich more than the poor; For they are all the work of His hands. (NKJV)

(Proverbs 14:31) He who oppresses the poor reproaches his Maker, But he who honors Him has mercy on the needy. (NKJV)

(Proverbs 22:2) The rich and the poor have this in common, The LORD is the maker of them all. (NKJV)

***Many times, the rich are only wealthy for the shortness of this life, if they don't use***

***thier money to serve and glorify God, then in their after life they will be miserable in hell forever.***

(Luke 16:19-25) "There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. "But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, "desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. "So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. "And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. "Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' "But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. (NKJV)

***This is why Jesus said they recieved their consolation in this life.***

(Luke 6:24) "But woe to you who are rich, For you have received your consolation. (NKJV)

***And the Poor who are christians are told they will recieve the kingdom of God after this life .***

(Luke 6:20) Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, For yours is the kingdom of God. (NKJV)

(James 2:5) Listen, my beloved brethren: Has God not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him? (NKJV)

***This is something that we should keep in mind before we envy the rich life of others. This is what Asaph was reminded of when he was envying the life of the rich as he entered the house of God in Pslams 73 .***

(Psalms 73:2-20) But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled; My steps had nearly slipped. For I was envious of the boastful, When I saw the prosperity of the wicked. For there are no pangs in their death, But their strength is firm. They are not in trouble as other men, Nor are they plagued like other men. Therefore pride serves as their necklace; Violence covers them like a garment. Their eyes bulge with abundance; They have more than heart could wish. They scoff and speak wickedly concerning oppression;



They speak loftily. They set their mouth against the heavens, And their tongue walks through the earth. Therefore his people return here, And waters of a full cup are drained by them. And they say, "How does God know? And is there knowledge in the Most High?" Behold, these are the ungodly, Who are always at ease; They increase in riches. Surely I have cleansed my heart in vain, And washed my hands in innocence. For all day long I have been plagued, And chastened every morning. If I had said, "I will speak thus," Behold, I would have been untrue to the generation of Your children. When I thought how to understand this, It was too painful for me- Until I went into the sanctuary of God; Then I understood their end. Surely You set them in slippery places; You cast them down to destruction. Oh, how they are brought to desolation, as in a moment! They are utterly consumed with terrors. As a dream when one awakes, So, Lord, when You awake, You shall despise their image. (NKJV)

### **Chapter 08 God is sovereign over man's activities**

***God is sovereign over man's activities. There is nothing that man can do without God's permission. Even in something as simple as taking shower before going to bed. I once heard my brother say a prayer before going to the bathroom and I ask him why are you praying in response he told me there are many people who have died in the tub in a accident and only God can keep us safe . While to some people this may sound dumb but to those who are aware how easily death can overtake us that is a very wise thing to do.***

(Luke 12:16-21) Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. "And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' "So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.'" "But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." (NKJV)

***This David reconized when he told his brother in law the following:***

1Samuel 20:3 Then David took an oath again, and said, "Your father certainly knows that I have found favor in your eyes, and he has said, 'Do not let Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved.' But truly, as the LORD lives and as your soul lives, there is but a step between me and death."(NKJV)

***James reminds his readers that there is nothing that can be done without God permission, that is why it is important to state if the Lord wills, we will do this or that.***

(James 4:13-15) Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit"; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that." (NKJV)

***Man can make lots of plans but only God can grant them permission to be done.***

(Psalms 37:23) The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD, And He delights in his way. (NKJV)

(Proverbs 16:1) The preparations of the heart belong to man, But the answer of the tongue is from the LORD. (NKJV)

(Proverbs 16:9) A man's heart plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps. (NKJV)

(Proverbs 19:21) There are many plans in a man's heart, Nevertheless the LORD'S counsel-that will stand. (NKJV)

(Proverbs 20:24) A man's steps are of the LORD; How then can a man understand his own way? (NKJV)

(Jeremiah 10:23) O LORD, I know the way of man is not in himself; It is not in man who walks to direct his own steps. (NKJV)

### **Chapter 09 God is sovereign over our creation and birth**

***God is sovereign over our birth , as he is also sovereign over our death. Only God can open or close the womb.***

(Genesis 16:2) So Sarai said to Abram, "See now, the LORD has restrained me from bearing children. Please, go in to my maid; perhaps I shall obtain children by her." And Abram heeded the voice of Sarai. (NKJV)

(Genesis 20:17-18) So Abraham prayed to God; and God healed Abimelech, his wife, and his female servants. Then they bore children; for the LORD had closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech because of Sarah, Abraham's wife. (NKJV)

(Genesis 25:21) Now Isaac pleaded with the LORD for his wife, because she was barren;

and the LORD granted his plea, and Rebekah his wife conceived. (NKJV)

(Genesis 30:1-2) Now when Rachel saw that she bore Jacob no children, Rachel envied her sister, and said to Jacob, "Give me children, or else I die!" And Jacob's anger was aroused against Rachel, and he said, "Am I in the place of God, who has withheld from you the fruit of the womb?" (NKJV)

(1 Samuel 1:5-6) But to Hannah he would give a double portion, for he loved Hannah, although the LORD had closed her womb. And her rival also provoked her severely, to make her miserable, because the LORD had closed her womb. (NKJV)

***God is also the one who forms the baby in the womb***

(Psalms 139:12-17) Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light are both alike to You. For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them. How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them! (NKJV)

(Jeremiah 1:5) "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations." (NKJV)

**Chapter 10 God is sovereign over where we should live**

***If we have to move to a other location it is because God moved us to that location. God has a reason for it even if we do not understand why we had to move there.***

(Deuteronomy 32:8) When the Most High divided their inheritance to the nations, When He separated the sons of Adam, He set the boundaries of the peoples According to the number of the children of Israel. (NKJV)

(Acts 17:26) "And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, (NKJV)

***Examples of this can be seen in the birth of Jesus. The prophet Micah said the Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem Ephrathah but Mary and Jospeh lived in Nazareth, So to***

***fullfill the will of God , What had to happen? A census was made so Joseph had to leave to Bethlehem with Mary his wife who was pregant .***

(Micah 5:2) "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting." (NKJV)

(Luke 2:1-7) And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city. Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. (NKJV)

***Was this big move by chance? No , It was ordain by God so History moved to accomplish God's plan. A other example can be seen in Jesus commandment to his Apostles of them being "wittness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." How could they do such a thing when they was stuck in Jerusalem, God allowed or better said ordain persecution so they would be force to move to differant location spreading the word where they went.***

(Acts 1:8) "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (NKJV)

(Acts 8:1) Now Saul was consenting to his death. At that time a great persecution arose against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. (NKJV)

(Acts 11:19) Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. (NKJV)

***Is it foreknowelge of the events before they happen? Yes because it is ordain knowlege. The one who ordains everything , Knows everthing because nothing that happens is outside the will of God. Whether bad or Good , Joseph reconized this when speaking to his brothers who sold him as a slave away from his home country to the***

***land of Egypt when he was 17 years old and now he was 30 years old as 2nd to Pharaoh in Egypt.***

Genesis 50:20 "But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive. (NKJV)

***There is God's revealed will this can and many times is not done by humans and there is God's secret will which is unstoppable.***

(Deuteronomy 29:29) "The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law. (NKJV)

### **Chapter 11 God is sovereign over Every good thing we do**

***There is nothing good that man has ever done that wasn't God moving them in someway to do it. All the good works of man are the works of the Lord whether they know it or not.***

***Notice in Isaiah what God has done in us :***

(Isaiah 26:12) LORD, You will establish peace for us, For You have also done all our works in us. (NKJV)

***Also notice that all the good qualities of man is the work of the Holy Spirit in them which we call the fruit of the Spirit .***

(Galatians 5:22-23) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. (NKJV)

***But what do we call all our works done in the flesh? "The works of the flesh", or as NIV states it "acts of the sinful nature" We don't need the Holy Spirit help to do these things , it comes naturally.***

(Galatians 5:19-21) Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. (NKJV)

***Many love to read or quote Ephesians 2:8-9 to show that we are saved completely***

***without any works of our own , it is all by Grace {unmerited favor} but they for some reason leave out verse 10. And it is here that we find out that what we do was already prepare before hand for us to do them.***

(Ephesians 2:10) For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. (NKJV)

***In many ways it is like a play and we are all actors of that script , playing our part. Should we get credit for the words and deeds we do when we are doing what we are suppose to do . I don't think so , But yet by his mercy we are still to be rewarded in the end.***

(Luke 17:7-10) "And which of you, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and sit down to eat'? "But will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for my supper, and gird yourself and serve me till I have eaten and drunk, and afterward you will eat and drink'? "Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I think not. "So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.'" (NKJV)

## **Chapter 12 God is sovereign over Salvation**

***Our Salvation and everything that started it to it's finish is all the work of God Sovereign ruling in our lives . Well Said Jonah when he said " Salvation belongs to God.***

(Jonah 2:9) But I will sacrifice to You With the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay what I have vowed. Salvation is of the LORD." (NKJV)

***Paul confidence is not in the church of Philippi but in the one who began to work in each one of them to save them. That as he started it , he will also finish it.***

(Philippians 1:6) being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ; (NKJV)

***This is a big differance than what we see in many of today's churches who attribute the salvation to you making a simple prayer in front of a group of people. In matter of fact you can't even come to Christ without God the Father moving you to.***

(John 6:44) "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I

will raise him up at the last day. (NKJV)

***The Greek word for draw is ἑλκύω which pronounce helkuō and it means to drag as one would do to a net of fishes.***

***Notice What Jesus states some verse after in the same chapter to come to Jesus has to be granted by God the Father***

(John 6:65) And He said, "Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father." (NKJV)

***Are we so depraved that we on our own freewill will not come to Jesus? And the answer is Yes.***

(Romans 3:10-11) As it is written: "There is none righteous, no, not one; There is none who understands; There is none who seeks after God. (NKJV)

***We will not come without God's help, Remember who began the good work in us it was God by his Sovereign ruling in our lives. The Bible states that we are dead in sins before we are given life and a dead body can't do much but stink ,rot and***

Ephesians 2:1 And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, (NKJV)

John 11:39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days."

***Some would argue but this violates our freewill? A dead man has no freewill. If you was to ask Lazarus was your will violated when Jesus gave you life? He would look at you like you was crazy and tell you. "I had no freewill , I was dead , he called my name and gave me life. The creator of the world brought me back from the dead."***

John 11:43-44 Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth!" And he who had died came out bound hand and foot with graveclothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Loose him, and let him go." (NKJV)

***Faith to believe in Jesus is given to some by God as we see in Romans and Ephesians but not to all because not everyone has it according to 2 Thessalonians.***

(Romans 12:3) For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment,



in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. (NIV)

(Ephesians 2:8) For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, (NKJV)

(2 Thessalonians 3:2) and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith. (NKJV)

### **Repentance a simple act that can only be given to man by God**

(Acts 5:31) "Him God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. (NKJV)

(Acts 11:18) When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, "Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life." (NKJV)

(2 Timothy 2:24-26) And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will. (NKJV)

***It is not like you in your nature to feel sad for your sins and to start to believe in Jesus. That is why Jesus told Nicodemus you must be born from above. Born Again something that is not possible to do, except it is done for you from above.***

(John 3:3) Jesus answered him, "Most certainly, I tell you, unless one is born anew, {The word translated "anew" here and in John 3:7 (another) also means "again" and "from above".} he can't see the Kingdom of God." (WEB)

***When the Bible calls us Elect it does not mean that we choose him but rather that he choose us and after that in time everything fell into place for that Choosing to take effect.***

(Ephesians 1:4-5) just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, (NKJV)

Luke 18:7 "And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them?"

Romans 8:33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

Romans 11:7 What then? Israel has not obtained what it seeks; but the elect have obtained it, and the rest were blinded.

Colossians 3:12 ¶ Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering;

***Have you ever heard of a Person elect themselves for president ? " I choose myself to be the president of the United States of America." It doesn't make any sense. That is why the electing is of a other or a group of others not of the person being elected. The same can be said of God electing us for salvation. This same God who chooses us to salvation is the same God who will make sure we are kept safe in our salvation.***

(John 10:27-30) "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. "My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. "I and My Father are one." (NKJV)

(John 17:11-12) "Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. "While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. (NKJV)

1Peter 1:5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

### **Chapter 13 God is sovereign over hardening men's heart**

***As we continue to study on the Sovereignty of God we are hit with the fact of Pharoah's heart was harden by God and we also we read he Pharoah harden his own heart. Which one was it? Both is true in the scripture. But before Pharoah harden his heart God did it. And it grew in hardness.***

#### ***Pharoah's heart was harden by God***

(Exodus 4:21) And the LORD said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt, see that you do all those wonders before Pharaoh which I have put in your hand. But I will harden his heart, so that he will not let the people go. (NKJV)

(Exodus 7:3) "And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt. (NKJV)

Exodus 9:12 But the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh; and he did not heed them, just as the LORD had spoken to Moses.

(Exodus 14:4) "Then I will harden Pharaoh's heart, so that he will pursue them; and I will gain honor over Pharaoh and over all his army, that the Egyptians may know that I am the LORD." And they did so. (NKJV)

Exodus 14:8 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued the children of Israel; and the children of Israel went out with boldness. (NKJV)

(Exodus 14:17) "And I indeed will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them. So I will gain honor over Pharaoh and over all his army, his chariots, and his horsemen. (NKJV)

(Romans 9:15-18) For He says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whomever I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whomever I will have compassion." So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of God who shows mercy. For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I may show My power in you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth." Therefore He has mercy on whom He wills, and whom He wills He hardens. (NKJV)

### ***Pharaoh's heart grew hard***

Exodus 7:13-14 And Pharaoh's heart grew hard, and he did not heed them, as the LORD had said. So the LORD said to Moses: "Pharaoh's heart is hard; he refuses to let the people go.

### ***Pharaoh hardened his own heart***

(Exodus 8:15) But when Pharaoh saw that there was relief, he hardened his heart and did not heed them, as the LORD had said. (NKJV)

Exodus 8:32 But Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also; neither would he let the people go.

Exodus 9:34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain, the hail, and the thunder had ceased, he sinned yet more; and he hardened his heart, he and his servants.

***The same could be said with in reference to the sons of Eli who didn't lesson to thier***

***father advise , God harden their hearts because he wanted to kill them.***

(1 Samuel 2:22-25) Now Eli was very old; and he heard everything his sons did to all Israel, and how they lay with the women who assembled at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. So he said to them, "Why do you do such things? For I hear of your evil dealings from all the people. "No, my sons! For it is not a good report that I hear. You make the LORD'S people transgress. "If one man sins against another, God will judge him. But if a man sins against the LORD, who will intercede for him?" Nevertheless they did not heed the voice of their father, because the LORD desired to kill them. (NKJV)

#### **Chapter 14 God is sovereign over giving men over to thier sins**

***As we talk of this subject one might fall into fear as to think they might be given into a sin which they will never escape from. There are many reasons to fear God but we are not to fear God as a dictator but as a father who he is , who loves us and when he disciplines us is for our spirital good.***

(Hebrews 12:5-11) And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons: "My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; For whom the LORD loves He chastens, And scourges every son whom He receives." If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons. Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness. Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. (NKJV)

***In the Lord's prayer which we are to pray we are told to say "and Lead us not into Temptation."***

(Matthew 6:13) And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. (NKJV)

***Not that God will tempt us.***

(James 1:13) Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. (NKJV)

***But he can give us up to a temptation as we see in Romans***

Romans 1:24 Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves,

Romans 1:26 For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. (NKJV)

Ro 1:28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting;

***or lead us to being tempted as a meaning of testing us so we can see how weak we are without him or to see if we love him. Which although he already knows our hearts.***

Deuteronomy 13:3 "you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. (NKJV)

***Remember it was the Holy Spirit who lead Jesus to the wilderness to face temptation from the devil. And in the same way we pray that the Spirit of God does not lead us to be tempted by the devil. Jesus overcame the enemy but we in our fallen condition are powerless against the enemy of the souls who knows are weakness.***

(Matthew 4:1) Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. (NKJV)

***Why it is true ,the Bible states that God will put the devil under our feet but he still hasn't done it. This will happen when Christ returns and not before .***

Romans 16:20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen. (NKJV)

### **Chapter 15 God is sovereign over those who recieve and do not recieve the Gospel**

***God as we saw a few chapters before, is sovereign over those who will recieve the Gospel. Here are Just a few other verses which shows God brings to the church who he ordians for salvation.***

(Acts 2:47) praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved. (NKJV)

(2 Thessalonians 2:13) But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, (NKJV)

(2 Timothy 1:9) who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, (NKJV)

**If God is Sovereign over those who receive the Gospel he is also sovereign over those who do not receive it as well. They are chosen for the purpose of damnation. This is what the Bible clearly teaches.**

*Proverbs 16:4 The LORD has made all for Himself, Yes, even the wicked for the day of doom. (NKJV)*

***Notice in Matthew : Sodom , Tyre and Sidon are mentioned with the words "if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in " But God choose not to do them there and in doing so seal their fate.***

(Matthew 11:20-24) Then He began to rebuke the cities in which most of His mighty works had been done, because they did not repent: "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. "But I say to you, it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the day of judgment than for you. "And you, Capernaum, who are exalted to heaven, will be brought down to Hades; for if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. "But I say to you that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment than for you." (NKJV)

***The words "make one vessel ...another for dishonor? "" the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, " surely speaks of election for the damned.***

(Romans 9:21-22) Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor? What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, (NKJV)

***This can not be more clear that there are people who are appointed to stumble and be disobedient***

(1 Peter 2:8) and "A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense." They stumble, being

disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed. (NKJV)

***Again the Bible speaks clearly on the matter "who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, " in the following :***

(Jude 1:4) For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ. (NKJV)

***In the Book of Revelation speaks of those whose names were never in the book of life which was written before the foundation of the world that they will follow AntiChrist. If they were not written and God wrote this book before he made the world that means he ordained them for damnation.***

(Revelation 13:8) All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. (NKJV)

#### **Chapter 16 God is sovereign over opening & closing doors**

***If you are like me and are asking for doors to open for you to preach the gospel but find out the ones you want are not open but shut in your face but see others which are not what you expected open before you, take them for they are open by the Lord. Sometimes God shuts one door to bring us where he wants us to be and that is where we will be more fruitful. For he is the one who opens and shuts the doors.***

(Acts 14:27) Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. (NKJV)

(1 Corinthians 16:9) For a great and effective door has opened to me, and there are many adversaries. (NKJV)

***Below we see two servants of King Hezekiah who are Shebna and Eliakim, one is told that God was to take him out of his position as steward and the other is told that God is going to put him in a firm position where he won't be taken out.***

(Isaiah 22:15-25) Thus says the Lord GOD of hosts: "Go, proceed to this steward, To Shebna, who is over the house, and say: 'What have you here, and whom have you here, That you have hewn a sepulcher here, As he who hews himself a sepulcher on high, Who carves a tomb for himself in a rock? Indeed, the LORD will throw you away

violently, O mighty man, And will surely seize you. He will surely turn violently and toss you like a ball into a large country; There you shall die, and there your glorious chariots Shall be the shame of your master's house. So I will drive you out of your office, And from your position he will pull you down. 'Then it shall be in that day, That I will call My servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiyah; I will clothe him with your robe And strengthen him with your belt; I will commit your responsibility into his hand. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem And to the house of Judah. The key of the house of David I will lay on his shoulder; So he shall open, and no one shall shut; And he shall shut, and no one shall open. I will fasten him as a peg in a secure place, And he will become a glorious throne to his father's house. 'They will hang on him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and the posterity, all vessels of small quantity, from the cups to all the pitchers. 'In that day,' says the LORD of hosts, 'the peg that is fastened in the secure place will be removed and be cut down and fall, and the burden that was on it will be cut off; for the LORD has spoken.'" (NKJV)

***Other passage where opening and closing can be found below:***

(Revelation 3:7-8) "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens": "I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name. (NKJV)

***God is sovereign where he wants you to preach the Gospel and what doors he opens and what door he closes.***

### **Chapter 17 God is sovereign over the weather**

***The Bible is very clear on who controls the weather, the waves of the sea , the winds , rain , hail , and snow which is God. That same God who controls the weather is the same one who can keep us safe in them aswell.***

(Genesis 7:4) "For after seven more days I will cause it to rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and I will destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made." (NKJV)

(1 Kings 18:41-45) Then Elijah said to Ahab, "Go up, eat and drink; for there is the sound of abundance of rain." So Ahab went up to eat and drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; then he bowed down on the ground, and put his face between his knees, and said to his servant, "Go up now, look toward the sea." So he went up and looked, and



said, "There is nothing." And seven times he said, "Go again." Then it came to pass the seventh time, that he said, "There is a cloud, as small as a man's hand, rising out of the sea!" So he said, "Go up, say to Ahab, 'Prepare your chariot, and go down before the rain stops you.'" Now it happened in the meantime that the sky became black with clouds and wind, and there was a heavy rain. So Ahab rode away and went to Jezreel. (NKJV)

(Job 37:6-13) For He says to the snow, 'Fall on the earth'; Likewise to the gentle rain and the heavy rain of His strength. He seals the hand of every man, That all men may know His work. The beasts go into dens, And remain in their lairs. From the chamber of the south comes the whirlwind, And cold from the scattering winds of the north. By the breath of God ice is given, And the broad waters are frozen. Also with moisture He saturates the thick clouds; He scatters His bright clouds. And they swirl about, being turned by His guidance, That they may do whatever He commands them On the face of the whole earth. He causes it to come, Whether for correction, Or for His land, Or for mercy. (NKJV)

(Psalms 135:6-7) Whatever the LORD pleases He does, In heaven and in earth, In the seas and in all deep places. He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightning for the rain; He brings the wind out of His treasures. (NKJV)

(Jonah 1:4-16) But the LORD sent out a great wind on the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship was about to be broken up. Then the mariners were afraid; and every man cried out to his god, and threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten the load. But Jonah had gone down into the lowest parts of the ship, had lain down, and was fast asleep. So the captain came to him, and said to him, "What do you mean, sleeper? Arise, call on your God; perhaps your God will consider us, so that we may not perish." And they said to one another, "Come, let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this trouble has come upon us." So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. Then they said to him, "Please tell us! For whose cause is this trouble upon us? What is your occupation? And where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?" So he said to them, "I am a Hebrew; and I fear the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land." Then the men were exceedingly afraid, and said to him, "Why have you done this?" For the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them. Then they said to him, "What shall we do to you that the sea may be calm for us?" -for the sea was growing more tempestuous. And he said to them, "Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will become calm for you. For I know that this great

tempest is because of me." Nevertheless the men rowed hard to return to land, but they could not, for the sea continued to grow more tempestuous against them. Therefore they cried out to the LORD and said, "We pray, O LORD, please do not let us perish for this man's life, and do not charge us with innocent blood; for You, O LORD, have done as it pleased You." So they picked up Jonah and threw him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice to the LORD and took vows. (NKJV)

(Matthew 5:45) "that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. (NKJV)

(Matthew 8:26-27) But He said to them, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. So the men marveled, saying, "Who can this be, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?" (NKJV)

### **Chapter 18 God is sovereign over his own attributes & character**

***God can not be defined by just one attribute or character which Sovereignty is not clothed with. For example God is Love but love is not God . Love does not rule over all other attributes and character. God is completely sovereign over all his character.***

***God is asmuch capable of loving as of hating because love does not just define him but hate also his part of him.***

***God is Love and does love***

(John 3:16) "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. (NKJV)

(Romans 5:8) But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (NKJV)

(1 John 4:16) And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. (NKJV)

***I heard people say falsely with no lack of knowlege that God loves everybody without taking to account that love is unique and in loving someone it will also exclude others. For example a husband can not love a other woman like he loves his wife otherwise that would be adultery.***

***Lets look at some verses where we read of God hating someone***

(Psalms 5:5) The boastful shall not stand in Your sight; You hate all workers of iniquity. (NKJV)

(Jeremiah 12:8) My inheritance has become to me like a lion in the forest. She roars at me; therefore I hate her. (NIV)

(Malachi 1:2-3) "I have loved you," says the LORD. "Yet you say, 'In what way have You loved us?' Was not Esau Jacob's brother?" Says the LORD. "Yet Jacob I have loved; But Esau I have hated, And laid waste his mountains and his heritage For the jackals of the wilderness." (NKJV)

***Other example of God's character be ruled by his sovereign will, is his Jealousy We read of God being Jealous and we read in other occaision of him not being Jealous for a time .***

***God is Jealous***

(Exodus 20:5) You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, (NIV)

(Exodus 34:14) Do not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God. (NIV)

(Deuteronomy 4:24) For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God. (NIV)

(Deuteronomy 5:9) you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, (NKJV)

(Zechariah 1:14) So the angel who spoke with me said to me, "Proclaim, saying, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts: "I am zealous for Jerusalem And for Zion with great zeal. (NKJV)

(1 Corinthians 10:22) Or do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than He? (NKJV)

(James 4:4-5) Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "The Spirit

who dwells in us yearns jealously"? (NKJV)

***God withholds his Jealousy for a time***

(Ezekiel 16:17-19) "You have also taken your beautiful jewelry from My gold and My silver, which I had given you, and made for yourself male images and played the harlot with them. "You took your embroidered garments and covered them, and you set My oil and My incense before them. "Also My food which I gave you-the pastry of fine flour, oil, and honey which I fed you-you set it before them as sweet incense; and so it was," says the Lord GOD. (NKJV)

(Hosea 2:7-9) She will chase her lovers, But not overtake them; Yes, she will seek them, but not find them. Then she will say, 'I will go and return to my first husband, For then it was better for me than now.' For she did not know That I gave her grain, new wine, and oil, And multiplied her silver and gold-Which they prepared for Baal. "Therefore I will return and take away My grain in its time And My new wine in its season, And will take back My wool and My linen, Given to cover her nakedness. (NKJV)

(Acts 14:14-17) But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard this, they tore their clothes and ran in among the multitude, crying out and saying, "Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men with the same nature as you, and preach to you that you should turn from these useless things to the living God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all things that are in them, "who in bygone generations allowed all nations to walk in their own ways. "Nevertheless He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good, gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness." (NKJV)

(Acts 17:29-30) "Therefore, since we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, something shaped by art and man's devising. "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, (NKJV)

***So God is one who his Sovereignty is above everything you could ever imagine and that makes him a amazing God and worthy of our worship and awe . This is the God of the Bible and the one who we have to give a account to, which hopefully after reading this you get to admire and love him for who he is and what he has done. In Jesus name Amen.***